

PORTLAND HARBOR SUPERFUND SITE
HQS MEETINGS/CONFERENCE CALLS WITH OUTSIDE PARTIES
MARCH 2016

February 18, 2016 – Meeting between Mathy Stanislaus, Barry Breen and representatives from the Port of Portland and Northwest Natural Gas (NWN).

Attendees: Mathy Stanislaus, EPA, OLEM – HQ
Barry Breen, EPA, OLEM – HQ
Nick Hillosky, EPA, OLEM - HQ
Robin Richardson, EPA, OSRTI - HQ
Doug Ammon, EPA, OSRTI - HQ
Silvina Fonseca, EPA, OSRTI – HQ
Cindy Mackey, EPA, OECA - HQ
Vince Granato, Chief Operations Officer (Port of Portland)
Jessica Hamilton, Director, Harbor Environmental (Port of Portland)
Rick Finn, Federal Affairs Manager (Port of Portland)
Gregg Kantor, Chief Executive Officer (NW Natural)
Tom Imeson, Vice President of Public Affairs (NW Natural)
Elliott Laws, Crowell & Moring
Marianne Horinko, Horinko Group
Justin Oberst, Horinko Group
Cliff Rothenstein, K&L Gates

Several EPA attendees participated, in particular Region 10 staff and management, (via conference line), OSRE and OSRTI.

Kristine Koch, EPA Region 10
Elizabeth Allen, EPA Region 10
Davis Zhen, EPA Region 10
Rafael DeLeon, EPA, OSRE – HQ
Lawrence Starfield, EPA, OECA – HQ

This was a listening session for EPA regarding the issues that were of most concern for the Port and NWN. Northwest Natural and Port of Portland identified their top five issues associated with the RI/FS and the cleanup for the Site. Mathy Stanislaus and Barry Breen requested that they provide them to EPA in writing. A follow up email from Elliot Laws sent on February 19, 2016. A response letter was dated and sent on March 8, 2016. [See Attachment A](#)

December 3, 2015 – Conference call with LWG on the draft FS. LWG parties met with Region 10 in Seattle, WA.

Attendees: Davis Zhen, EPA Region 10
 Elizabeth Allen, EPA Region 10
 Anne Christopher, EPA Region 10
 Cami Grandinetti, EPA Region 10
 Silvina Fonseca (Phone) – EPA, OSRTI - HQ
 Steve Ells (Phone) – EPA, OSRTI – HQ
 Amy Legare (Phone) – EPA, OSRTI – HQ

This meeting was led by EPA Region 10 and OSRTI participated via teleconference. Several parties were present to provide their concerns on the draft FS. Parties that raised concerns were Evraz, Port of Portland, Arkema, UPRR and City of Portland. Issues raised included: schedule for commenting on the next draft of the FS; comments on the decision tree; flexibility in the design (Can they cap instead of dredging?); PAHs as risk drivers; early actions and EPA's plans to integrate those actions with the remedy; EPA's position on the CDF; how much treatment would be needed to dispose of sediment off site; benthic risk; further dialogue on Terminal 3 due to restricted access; requested specific RALs for Swan Island Lagoon and Willamette Cove; PTW and preference for treatment, no excessive treatment; basis for some risk based PRGs are not accurate (DDx); EPA not addressing significant risks first; remedy implementation concerns related to the size of the project; difficulty in getting parties to participate in such a large cleanup; implementation issues associated with steep banks; consideration of redevelopment and future use; ordinances related to remedy implementation such as noise; interpretation of the technology assignments, criteria for capping vs. dredging, never be done with the cleanup; etc.

No further follow up.

September 15, 2015 – Meeting with the Lower Willamette Group (LWG) regarding the cost of the alternatives presented in the draft FS.

Attendees: James Woolford, EPA, OSRTI – HQ
Dana Stalcup, EPA, OSRTI – HQ
Doug Ammon, EPA, OSRTI – HQ
David Charters, EPA, OSRTI - HQ
Steve Ells, EPA, OSRTI – HQ
Silvina Fonseca, EPA, OSRTI – HQ
Amy Legare, EPA, OSRTI – HQ
Karl Gustavson, USACOE, on loan to EPA OSRTI
Jessica Hamilton, Port of Portland
Margaret Kirkpatrick, Northwest Natural Gas
Elliott Laws, Crowell & Moring
Marianne Horinko, Horinko Group
Kelly Madalinski, Port of Portland
Cami Grandinetti, via teleconference, EPA Region 10

Meeting was with James Woolford and OSRTI staff in Crystal City, Virginia. The listening session mainly focused on LWG's concerns regarding the assumptions used to develop the cost estimates for the alternatives. EPA requested that the LWG provide in writing EPA with specifics items that EPA should look at more closely. Also at this meeting points of contact were designated. Jessica H. for the Port of Portland, Cami G. for Region 10 and Silvina F. for EPA HQ. No additional information was provided post meeting and no further follow up. See Attachment B

August 13, 2015 – Conference call with the LWG on Section 3 of the draft FS. Region 10 lead the meeting.

Attendees: Portland Harbor Team

Meeting focused on issues associated with Section 3 of the draft FS. LWG identified several items including, figures and tables not accurate, principal threat waste, volume of materials, riverbanks, ex-situ treatment, armoring, construction durations, production rates, screening out alternative C, preliminary remediation goals, monitored natural recovery. Issues were noted and they were also identified in the comments they provided to Region 10.

August 8, 2012 – Meeting between James Woolford and the Portland Harbor Partnership

Attendees: James Woolford, OSRTI, EPA – HQ
Phyllis Anderson, OSRTI, EPA – HQ
Bruce Means, OSRTI, EPA – HQ
Helen Dawson, OSRTI, EPA – HQ
Dan Opalski, EPA Region 10 (Teleconference)
Chip Humphrey, EPA Region 10 (Teleconference)
Kristine Koch, EPA Region 10 (Teleconference)

The Partnership came to DC and met with EPA HQ to share their view and position on the RI/FS. In addition, there was discussion regarding fish tissue sampling. See Attachment C

March 3, 2012 – Meeting between James Woolford and the Portland Harbor Partnership – A listening session regarding the Portland Harbor Site. See Attachment D.

Attendees: Krista Koehl, Port of Portland
Penina Ongiro, Port of Portland
Rick Finn, Port of Portland
John Donovan, Metropolitan Group
James Woolford, OSRTI, EPA - HQ
Jennifer Willbur, OSRTI, EPA – HQ

January 24, 2012 – Meeting between James Woolford and the Port of Portland Partnership

Attendees: James Woolford, EPA, OSRTI – HQ
Elizabeth Southerland, EPA, OSRTI - HQ
Dan Opalski, EPA, Region 10

The Partnership provided a presentation that described their efforts in conducting a Fish Consumption Rate Survey. [See Attachment E.](#)

May 12, 2011 - Meeting between Lisa Feldt and the Port of Portland.

Attendees: Lisa Feldt, EPA, OSRTI, OSWER (now OLEM) – HQ

Discussion focused on the Port of Portland's introduction to HQ and their main concerns that they anticipate with the cleanup of the site. No further follow up. See Attachment F.

ATTACHMENT A

Wallace-Wilson, Barbara

Subject: FW: Meeting w/Horinko Group Re: Portland Harbor (Outside group please do not move)
Location: 3146 WJC West; Call-in Non-[REDACTED], Code Non-[REDACTED]
Start: Thu 2/18/2016 11:00 AM
End: Thu 2/18/2016 11:45 AM
Recurrence: (none)
Meeting Status: Accepted
Organizer: Stanislaus, Mathy

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Stanislaus, Mathy
Sent: Friday, February 05, 2016 11:08 AM
To: Stanislaus, Mathy; Justin Oberst; Marianne Horinko; Starfield, Lawrence; Mackey, Cyndy; Breen, Barry; Hilosky, Nick; McLerran, Dennis; Grandinetti, Cami; Woods, Jim; Koch, Kristine; Sheldrake, Sean; Woolford, James; Richardson, RobinH
Cc: DeLeon, Rafael
Subject: Meeting w/Horinko Group Re: Portland Harbor (Outside group please do not move)
When: Thursday, February 18, 2016 11:00 AM-11:45 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).
Where: 3146 WJC West; Call-in Non-[REDACTED] Code Non-[REDACTED]

POC – Nick Hilosky Non-[REDACTED]

Fonseca, Silvina

From: Woolford, James
Sent: Monday, February 08, 2016 9:33 AM
To: Fonseca, Silvina; Ammon, Doug; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Gartner, Lois; Ells, Steve; Charters, David; Legare, Amy; Grandinetti, Cami; Sheldrake, Sean; Zhen, Davis; Koch, Kristine; Allen, Elizabeth; Pirzadeh, Michelle; McLerran, Dennis
Subject: FW: More Info. on Portland Harbor Meeting with the Horinko Group
Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Fyi. Apologies if duplicative

Jim Woolford, Director
Office of Superfund Remediation & Technology Innovation
US EPA

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From: Hilosky, Nick
Sent: 2/5/2016 3:10 PM
To: Stanislaus, Mathy; Breen, Barry; Natarajan, Nitin
Cc: Woolford, James
Subject: RE: More Info. on Portland Harbor Meeting with the Horinko Group

Will do.

From: Stanislaus, Mathy
Sent: Friday, February 05, 2016 2:27 PM
To: Hilosky, Nick <Hilosky.Nick@epa.gov>; Breen, Barry <Breen.Barry@epa.gov>; Natarajan, Nitin <Natarajan.Nitin@epa.gov>
Cc: Woolford, James <Woolford.James@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: More Info. on Portland Harbor Meeting with the Horinko Group

Thanks – I've shared with Dennis and Michelle. Can someone get this to OECA?

From: Hilosky, Nick
Sent: Friday, February 05, 2016 1:15 PM
To: Stanislaus, Mathy <Stanislaus.Mathy@epa.gov>; Breen, Barry <Breen.Barry@epa.gov>; Natarajan, Nitin <Natarajan.Nitin@epa.gov>
Cc: Woolford, James <Woolford.James@epa.gov>
Subject: More Info. on Portland Harbor Meeting with the Horinko Group

Sharing the info. I got from the Horinko group on the plan for the Feb 18th Portland Harbor meeting. I've set it up so it is now OSWER/OECA and R10 attending. Elliott Laws is also aware via OECA.

Nick

From: Justin Oberst [<mailto:joberst@thehorinkogroup.org>]
Sent: Friday, February 05, 2016 12:47 PM
To: Hilosky, Nick <Hilosky.Nick@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting with the Horinko Group (Outside group please do not move)

Here is the info:

The Port of Portland and NW Natural are a municipal port agency and local natural gas utility from Portland, Oregon and have been leaders in stepping up with EPA and Oregon DEQ to achieve a protective cleanup for the Portland Harbor Superfund Site. I understand you've met with these two entities in the past, when they launched their education and outreach program called Portland Harbor Partnership. The Portland Harbor Partnership was a coalition of business and government entities who provided a balanced and thoughtful, widespread education effort to the Portland community on Superfund, collaborating with Portland State University. The Port also launched a podcast series, called One River, Many Voices, that assembled perspectives from the EPA and Oregon DEQ, as well as Tribal representatives, nonprofits, the CAG, the recreational community, the business community, and the communities of color into 14 episodes.

The Port and NW Natural requested this meeting to talk to you about the Portland Harbor Superfund Site and their concerns as the Proposed Plan approaches. The Port and NW Natural in particular are concerned with creating the right environment in Portland that would allow for settlements with the more than 140 parties to occur in a timely fashion. The Portland Harbor has an EPA-encouraged allocation process that has been proceeding for five years in parallel to the RI/FS work. They would also like to share some thoughts about their community and ways in which the Record of Decision can be more readily accepted by the parties who could be in a position to perform remedies in one or more parts of the river.

On behalf of the Port, the following people will be attending:

Vince Granato, Chief Operations Officer
Jessica Hamilton, Director, Harbor Environmental
Rick Finn, Federal Affairs Manager
Marianne Horinko, Horinko Group
Justin Oberst, Horinko Group
Cliff Rothenstein, K&L Gates

On behalf of NW Natural, the following people will be attending:

Gregg Kantor, Chief Executive Officer
Tom Imeson, Vice President of Public Affairs
Elliott Laws, Crowell & Moring

Fonseca, Silvina

From: Woolford, James
Sent: Monday, February 22, 2016 11:19 AM
To: McLerran, Dennis; Pirzadeh, Michelle; Grandinetti, Cami; Cora, Lori; Mackey, Cyndy; Richardson, RobinH; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Ammon, Doug; Fonseca, Silvina; Zhen, Davis; Koch, Kristine; Michaud, John
Subject: FW: Gregg Kantor 5 Points
Attachments: Five Items for Portland Harbor.docx; ATT00001.htm

Jim Woolford, Director
Office of Superfund Remediation & Technology Innovation
US EPA

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From: Hilosky, Nick
Sent: 2/22/2016 11:14 AM
To: Richardson, RobinH; Woolford, James; Mackey, Cyndy
Cc: Gartner, Lois
Subject: FW: Gregg Kantor 5 Points

Sharing...

-----Original Message-----

From: Laws, Elliott [<mailto:ELaws@crowell.com>]
Sent: Friday, February 19, 2016 10:26 PM
To: Stanislaus, Mathy <Stanislaus.Mathy@epa.gov>; Breen, Barry <Breen.Barry@epa.gov>
Subject: Gregg Kantor 5 Points

Mathy and Barry - as requested I have attached the 5 items for moving forward as presented by Gregg Kantor of NW Natural Gas yesterday. I expect he and Vince Granato of the Port of Portland will be following up with you early next week.

Have a great weekend,

Elliott

Northwest Natural & Port of Portland

5 Items needed to move forward on Portland Harbor

Presented to EPA on February 18, 2016

1. A change in EPA's approach that will facilitate, not impede, settlements among the PRPs and the negotiation of consent decrees for cleanup.
2. Assurances to long-time cooperating PRPs, like the Port and NW Natural, that we will not be ordered to clean up the entire site, then left to litigate contribution cases for many years.
3. Flexibility in the ROD to determine more current, site specific technology assignments post-ROD based on more current, site specific information about the various parts of the Superfund site. The way EPA's FS and preferred alternative are written now, they will not accommodate changes in technology assignments based on site specific information without an ESD or ROD amendment.
4. Greater emphasis on risk-based remedies and less on mass-removal that is unrelated to risks identified in the human health and ecological risk assessments.
5. The identification of discrete projects for areas presenting the most significant risks, focused on achieving measurable reductions of significant risk.

Wallace-Wilson, Barbara

Subject: FW: 11 AM PT | 2 PM ET: Portland Harbor follow-up meeting
Location: Dial In: Non-Responsive Participant Passcode: Non- (PDX folks meet at NW Natural in Gregg's office)
Start: Fri 2/26/2016 2:00 PM
End: Fri 2/26/2016 3:00 PM
Recurrence: (none)
Meeting Status: Accepted
Organizer: Kantor, Gregg

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Kantor, Gregg [mailto:Gregg.Kantor@nwnatural.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 25, 2016 8:44 AM
To: Kantor, Gregg; Imeson, Thomas J; Margaret D. Kirkpatrick (mkirkpatrick@pearllegalgroup.com); 'Jessica.Hamilton@portofportland.com'; Grandinetti, Cami
Subject: 11 AM PT | 2 PM ET: Portland Harbor follow-up meeting
When: Friday, February 26, 2016 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada).
Where: Dial In: Non-Responsive Participant Passcode: Non- (PDX folks meet at NW Natural in Gregg's office)

Hi Cami, would you mind forwarding this meeting notice to Jim Woolford (I don't have his e-mail address.)

Thank you.

Darlene Barnes
NW Natural
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Fonseca, Silvina

From: Woolford, James
Sent: Sunday, February 28, 2016 10:19 AM
To: Stanislaus, Mathy; Breen, Barry; Starfield, Lawrence; Mackey, Cyndy; McLerran, Dennis
Cc: Pirzadeh, Michelle; Grandinetti, Cami; Richardson, RobinH; Stalcup, Dana; Zhen, Davis; Bergman, Shawna; Hilosky, Nick; Fonseca, Silvina; Michaud, John; Fitz-James, Schatzi; Robinson, Deborah
Subject: PH - follow up on '5 Asks' - Deliberative

This email is to relay the gist of our conversation Friday with NWN and the Port and lay out a proposed path forward on the 5 asks we received from Greg Kantor via Elliott Laws last Friday. If you are most interested in the next steps, scroll down to the bottom of the email

RECAP on FRIDAY's CONVERSATION

Cami, Zhen, Debby Robinson and I had a call Friday afternoon with Greg Kantor (NWN), Jessica Hamilton (the Port of Portland), Tom Imeshon (sp?), Margaret Kirkpatrick and several others (Bob Wyatt joined late). We went through and discussed the 5 items delving a bit deeper to obtain a better sense of what was behind each. My take on it is that the main driver is their uncertainty about what will happen post Record of Decision, and that they have been hearing from a number of non-LWG parties a lack of willingness to join. They did state that point to us. They stated what I believe was stated in the DC meeting that their worry is the remedy and what it signals EPA may do post ROD will inhibit other PRP involvement and some parties will attempt to sit it on the sidelines. They stated there are parties that simply believe a) nothing needs to be done bcz the river will clean itself and/or b) won't participate bcz these parties believe the remedy will be "unnecessarily expensive". They repeated the claim that EPA has said that we could order a small number of parties to do the work and then let them pursue the non-cooperating parties. They also brought up the stips issue from years ago a "an example of what you get when you cooperate with EPA". Another example they mentioned was the lack of progress of NWN/Gasco AOC. Their perception is that our actions are rewarding parties that have not been cooperative. Greg when as far to discuss a member on his BoD that is not on the LWG and allegedly has questioned why NW has continued to work with EPA.

Cami and I told them what they admitted to as something we have been saying, namely that our goal is to treat all parties fairly and to have all responsible parties agree and bring forward a bona fide good faith offer that the Agency can consider. But we recognize that may be difficult, so we are prepared to use the Agency's enforcement authorities to pursue PRPs that are attempting to avoid participation. We did point out that we have a range of options, but it would be extremely unlikely we would simply order a couple of parties and leave it up to them to pursue others - but we did not preclude that. We were clear would not lay out our

detailed enforcement strategy in public but we felt we could send some signals of our overall approach. We were clear, I believe, that we would not take any enforcement option off the table. By the way, this is what we told the Executive Committee in Portland last Friday as well.

Through the conversation, it became clear, at least to me, that they are looking for us to verbally signal during the PP public comment period broadly our enforcement strategy and essentially make the points above. That is, when someone asks something along the line of "Who is going to do this?" or "Who is going to pay?" that we make the two points above. My sense is they would view that as very helpful to setting the tone for PRP participation. This would "facilitate" the situation - to use their term.

We did say that ideally we would like to have one consent decree, but recognized the reality of the situation may not get us there, but Cami also stated while we may not have 1, we won't have 14 either (i.e., one for each SDU plus the non-SDU areas).

re: # 4 - They raised Qs such as if we put in a ROD that a certain SDU is expected to have a certain volume of materials dredged whether there was any flexibility around that number. That is would someone have to remove that precise volume and if not, would we have to do an ESD or ROD amendment if the number is different. They asked whether we would be open to "pilot studies" that could support a different alternative. We did not preclude that, but we stated we have to select a remedy which includes estimates of volumes and technologies. The Port argued Swan Island Lagoon is different than the rest of the river and deserves a different look. They questioned whether treatment of all PTW is going to be required.

re: # 4 "risk based remedies" - Jessica brought up Terminal 4 and raised questions about the risk assessment (assumptions) there vs. the Terminal's actual operations. The claim I heard is the Risk assessment assumed 260 days of dermal exposure for tribal fishers while the Terminal operates about 300 days a year, so there could not be that amount of exposure.

They also brought up the risk assessment for the nav channel and that we applied a clam consumption scenario to the nav channel that was not appropriate. (i.e., human health risk) I think the claim was clams won't be consumed from the Nav channel so how can we tie human risk from clam consumption in that scenario/ This may be a human health risk assessment vs eco risk, but I do not know for sure. Where this is going, which they explicitly stated, is if there is no human health risk, why dredge the nav channel beyond the navigational depths.

In talking about SDUs or "discrete projects" (# 5), what they appear to be looking for there (linked to enforcement) is that parties will have the opportunity to get together in these areas

and bring to the agency "site-specific" proposals. I believe we signaled a willingness to do that but we were clear that ultimately the projects and remedy have to hold together holistically and again we do not want to have 14 sets of negotiations for each of the areas.

Overall my sense is that they viewed both the DC meeting and our call very positively.

PROPOSAL ON NEXT STEPS

I indicated I would be getting back to the HQ leadership on the conversation. I proposed that we draft a response to their asks. I told them I would take first attempt at the response and would coordinate with Region 10 and Enforcement, and the goal would be to respond by Friday March 4. I gave them the option if for some reason after receiving the response, that they still wanted a second meeting with HQ that, given the commitments made last week, we would work to set that up.

I will begin drafting something either later today or Monday and share with R 10 and OSRE for initial reaction early in the week. If anyone has strong objections to this path, please let me know.

Thanks.

They stated at the end they would like to hear more directly from enforcement what is outlined in third paragraph above. But they also said, depending on what the response states that may not be necessary.

Jim Woolford, Director
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Wallace-Wilson, Barbara

From: Richardson, RobinH
Sent: Friday, February 12, 2016 7:54 AM
To: Woolford, James
Cc: Wallace-Wilson, Barbara
Subject: Re: Dennis, Jim and Cami to brief Oregon State Legislature Feb 18

Sorry! Just saw this. Not enough coffee yet. I'm feeling like we should reschedule ATSDR. What do you think?

Robin Richardson
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On Feb 11, 2016, at 8:42 PM, Woolford, James <Woolford.James@epa.gov> wrote:

See below. Looks like I am being asked to go.

Jim Woolford, Director
Office of Superfund Remediation & Technology Innovation
US EPA

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From: [Robinson, Deborah](#)
Sent: 2/11/2016 7:59 PM
To: [Magorrian, Matthew](#); [Tyler, Kendra](#); [Woolford, James](#)
Cc: [Grandinetti, Cami](#); [Zhen, Davis](#); [Holsman, Marianne](#); [Dunbar, Bill](#); [Wallace-Wilson, Barbara](#)
Subject: Dennis, Jim and Cami to brief Oregon State Legislature Feb 18

Jim,

Regarding the meeting with the Oregon State Legislature on 2/18, it will occur at the same time that Marianne Horinko and Elliott Laws, the Port and NW Natural are meeting with Mathy Stanislaus. We think it would be good for you to come to the briefing with the legislature but want to be sure you are satisfied that the meeting with Mathy is covered. You, Dennis and Cami would be meeting with the legislature.

There is more information about the legislative briefing below. It was clarified that this is a briefing rather than a formal hearing. Dennis has emailed that he is comfortable and sees it as important to go to this briefing.

Assuming that you do decide to come, please make travel plans for 2/17, with a hotel in Salem the night of 2/17 and a hotel in Portland the night of 2/18. Matt Magorrian will organize an itinerary and a rental car to travel between Portland and Salem.

According to the email below and a conversation with Kevin Parrett, you will be speaking to the Oregon legislative House Energy and Environment Committee on 2/18/16, 8:00 am – 10:00 am. The Chair is

Jessica Vega Pederson and the committee members are listed in the email from Kevin. Dick Pedersen will be there. It is anticipated that LWG members and the Governor's office will also be represented.

Kevin suggests you and Dennis give a preamble, and Cami present the briefing she gave to the City Council.

There will be an opportunity for Dennis, Cami, Dick and Bill Ross to discuss this – currently scheduled for 2:30 – 3:30 pm on 2/17. You will likely be traveling at that time; however, the time of that meeting may change.

In light of my coordination responsibilities, could you please let me know whether you decide to come out for this briefing?

Thanks,

Debbie

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From the Desk of:

Debbie Robinson

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US EPA Region 10, M/S ECL 122, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900, Seattle, WA 98101

From: PARRETT Kevin [<mailto:Parrett.Kevin@deq.state.or.us>]

Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2016 3:17 PM

To: Robinson, Deborah <Robinson.Deborah@epa.gov>

Subject: FW: Portland harbor hearing

Debbie. Here's the email string requesting that Dennis or Cami present at the Oregon legislative House Energy & Environment Committee. Committee members are Vega Pederson, Reardon, Mark Johnson, Bentz, Boone, Heard, Helm, Holvey and Weidner. I've confirmed with DEQ's legislative advisor, Palmer Mason, that this will be a briefing and not a formal hearing.

Kevin Parrett, Manager
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From: PEDERSEN Dick

Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2016 9:18 AM

To: ROICK Tom; MASON Palmer

Cc: PARRETT Kevin

Subject: RE: Portland harbor hearing

I just talked to Dennis and Cami will likely be the EPA presenter and that certainly seems appropriate to me.

Dick Pedersen
Director

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From: ROICK Tom
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2016 8:59 AM
To: MASON Palmer; PEDERSEN Dick
Cc: PARRETT Kevin
Subject: RE: Portland harbor hearing

Palmer,
Here's contact information for Dennis, the appropriate person to present with Dick. I've included Cami's info as well.

Dennis McLerran, Regional Administrator
EPA - Region 10
1200 6th Ave., Suite 900
Seattle, WA. 98101
206-553-1200 or 1-800-424-4372
McLerran.Dennis@epamail.epa.gov

Cami Grandinetti
Program Manager, Remedial Cleanup Program
USEPA
1200 6th Ave, Suite 900
Seattle, Wa. 98101
206-553-8696 (desk)
206-390-8890 (cell)
206-553-0124 (fax)
grandinetti.cami@epa.gov

From: MASON Palmer
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 5:03 PM
To: PEDERSEN Dick; ROICK Tom
Subject: FW: Portland harbor hearing

Dick & Tom-

We need to provide a name and contact information for the appropriate EPA person.

Palmer

Palmer Mason
Senior Legislative Advisor, J.D.
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Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
mason.palmer@deq.state.or.us
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From: Patrino Beth [<mailto:beth.patrino@state.or.us>]
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 5:02 PM
To: MASON Palmer
Subject: RE: Portland harbor hearing

Can you send me contact info for appropriate EPA person to speak to committee?

Thanks!

From: MASON Palmer [<mailto:palmer.mason@state.or.us>]
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 4:28 PM
To: Patrino Beth <PatrinB@leg.state.or.us>
Subject: RE: Portland harbor hearing

Thanks!

Palmer Mason
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From: Patrino Beth [<mailto:beth.patrino@state.or.us>]
Sent: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 4:19 PM
To: MASON Palmer
Subject: Portland harbor hearing

Is set for 2/18. Be back in touch soon to talk more about invited speakers.

Thanks,

Beth

Beth Patrino, Committee Administrator
House Committee on Energy and Environment
Joint Interim Committee on Department of Energy Oversight
Joint Interim Task Force on Funding for Fish, Wildlife, and Related Outdoor Recreation and Education
Legislative Committee Services
347 State Capitol, Salem, OR 97301
503.986.1751 (direct line)

ATTACHMENT B

Wallace-Wilson, Barbara

Subject: Conversation w/LWG on Costs
Location: 5621 PYS - Arlington VA

Start: Tue 9/15/2015 11:00 AM
End: Tue 9/15/2015 12:00 PM
Show Time As: Free

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: Woolford, James

Required Attendees: Woolford, James; Ammon, Doug; Fonseca, Silvina; Legare, Amy; Hamilton, Jessica; Kirkpatrick, Margaret; Stalcup, Dana; Ells, Steve; Charters, David

Optional Attendees: Grandinetti, Cami; Koch, Kristine; Allen, Elizabeth; Zhen, Davis

Call in: Non-Responsive

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ATTACHMENT C

January 2012



Portland Harbor Partnership
James Woolford to: krista.koehl
Cc: Dan Opalski, Elizabeth Southerland

01/25/2012 05:15 PM

Krista:

Thanks for the presentation yesterday. Appreciate the time and effort it took everyone to get from the west coast to come talk with us in DC. Sorry we did not have longer to talk about it. I have looked at your web site too. Thanks for directing me there. I still have a few questions:

1) We did not have an opportunity to talk about the views of Oregon DEQ (or other State agencies), what has been their response to your efforts?

2) It appears your strategy is a mix of face-to-face events/meetings, outreach to neighborhoods (associations/coalitions) and other groups, along with social media. I don't see and did not hear a print/radio/TV component. Is there one? If so can you describe it briefly? If not, I would be interested in hearing why not.

3) Can you elaborate more on your outreach to immigrant communities. Many of our Superfund sites have immigrant populations, so we are interested in hearing about efforts to engage such communities. Have any tools or approaches worked better than others?

4) Ultimately, how is the information collected via the survey going to be communicated?

5) The booklet distributed yesterday indicates that you've had 1,200 conversations and collected about 350 surveys to date. Noting that none of this is "scientific survey", are you willing to summarize what you have heard to date? If not, that's OK too. There is also the age-old survey question about characterizing the open-ended questions of the survey - how are you all doing that?

6) I would like to hear more about the local government take on this too. You asked 2 "longer term" questions in the survey about potential uses in 10-20 years. Portland has a long term development plan focused on 2035. see http://www.portlandonline.com/portlandplan/proposed_draft/pplan-draft-intro.pdf. so how do these intersect, if at all?

7) Quality Control on the Survey. Can you describe? issues like multiple responses from one person, under (or over-)representation of certain demographic groups (aka "representativeness"), differences in responses via the web vs in-person come to mind.

Probably the best thing to do is have a conference call including R 10 to discuss these questions. I am happy to host, but it would have to be next week or the week after.

Thanks again.

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March 2012



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Discuss Portland Harbor Partnership

Fri 03/02/2012 12:30 PM - 1:30

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Attendance is required for James Woolford

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ATTACHMENT E

August 2012



RE: Portland Harbor Follow Up

Wyatt, Robert

to:

James Woolford, jim.mckenna@verdantllc.com, Koehl, Krista

08/09/2012 07:37 PM

Cc:

Dan Opalski, Phyllis Anderson, Bruce Means, Helen Dawson, Steve Ells, Chip Humphrey, Kristine Koch

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From: "Wyatt, Robert" <rjw@nwnatural.com> Sort List...

To: James Woolford/DC/USEPA/US@EPA, "jim.mckenna@verdantllc.com"

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Jim:

Thank you for taking the time to listen to us and for your continuing interest in our site. We will keep you apprised of our progress with the fish tissue collection.

Bob

From: James Woolford [Woolford.James@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 09, 2012 9:16 AM**To:** jim.mckenna@verdantllc.com; Wyatt, Robert; Koehl, Krista**Cc:** Dan Opalski; Phyllis Anderson; Bruce Means; Helen Dawson; Steve Ells; Chip Humphrey; Kristine Koch**Subject:** Portland Harbor Follow Up

Bob and Jim

I want to thank you again for coming to DC and sharing your views on the Portland Harbor RI/FS. I know its been a long process with lots of ups and downs. I encourage you to continue to work with the Region to resolve the dispute.

I do want to follow up on one item I brought up. I was encouraged to hear from my staff that fish tissue sampling was being planned for this summer at the Portland Harbor Superfund site. At sites across the Nation, this type of information has proven invaluable for describing risk, selecting remedies, and evaluating effectiveness. We trust this updated understanding of contaminant concentrations in fish and their trends over time will facilitate remedy selection and improve the technical basis of those decisions. Thank you for your efforts, I look forward to hearing about further progress.

Regards....

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ATTACHMENT F

May 2011



{In Archive} Re: Port of Portland-Update

Lisa Feldt to: Dan Opalski
Cc: "Becky Brooks", "James Woolford"

05/17/2011 12:47 PM

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Thanks so much Dan. This is helpful.

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Dan Opalski

Lisa -- I don't necessarily mean for this message...

05/17/2011 09:48:01 AM

From: Dan Opalski/R10/USEPA/US
To: "Lisa Feldt" <Feldt.Lisa@epamail.epa.gov>
Cc: "James Woolford" <woolford.james@epa.gov>, "Becky Brooks" <Brooks.Becky@epamail.epa.gov>
Date: 05/17/2011 09:48 AM
Subject: Port of Portland-Update

Lisa --

I don't necessarily mean for this message to be exclusive, but I also didn't know who all really needed it, so I'm leaving it to your judgment as to who else to share it with.

Anyway, from my contact (Tom Imeson) at the Port I heard the following:

-- Intent is for the Port to introduce itself. They are aware that other parties (PRPs) are talking to their congressional delegation and others, so they want to make sure they are representing themselves and sharing their own perspectives directly rather than being characterized by others.

-- They intend this more as a meet and greet than as an issue-raising visit. They want to provide background on the Port, explain some about their environmental credentials, describe why they are involved in the site, and talk some about their involvement as part of the Lower Willamette Group.

-- They'll likely talk some about their work on their early action, which will likely include expressing appreciation for the flexibility we've given on schedule. They have yet to build the confined disposal facility that was the most costly aspect of their actions, but they still see this work as necessary for them and for the cleanup overall.

-- They'll share their goals for cleanup: protective yet affordable for the region.

-- They'll likely market their experience with in-water work (as a Port that has had to do dredging for years, for example). This could be the beginning of their building of an argument to have a particular role in the cleanup both to mitigate potential impacts on Port operations and to give them a way to contribute in lieu of just straight financial contribution.

-- They'll acknowledge areas for future debate, most notably risk and risk management, likely with some appreciation that we haven't made cleanup level decisions yet.

So you know, I was fairly candid that given how consistently the Port reminds us about their tight margin, this meeting feels a lot to me like justifying the existence of a well-compensated lobbyist. I disabused him of any notion that we're just out here making things up without checking in with HQ on key aspects of our work.

Based upon my conversation, I'll be somewhat surprised if there are any hard pushes or specific requests during the meeting, though of course stranger things have happened. I'll plan to be on the line tomorrow.
DanO.

{In Archive} Re: Fw: Materials in for Pre-Call Tomorrow with Lisa re: Port of Portland
Steve Ells

to:

Elizabeth Southerland, James Woolford, Barnes Johnson

05/11/2011 09:41 PM

Cc:

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From: Steve Ells/DC/USEPA/US

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Couple of points from today's call:

1- Did not fully understand the issue concerning the clam risks, but there is no need to do any more risk studies at this site, risk has already been over-characterized. I am looking at the table of risk-based PRGs and many are below the PCB sediment background conc. of 17 ppb; risk levels will not be used as cleanup levels and more risk data will not be used in developing the FS or in making remedy decisions.

2 - PRPs always try to put their spin on the RI report findings instead of just reporting the data. Some RPMs just give up after one revision. What is important is EPA's language and evaluation presented in the ROD, few ever read the RI.

3 - The Hudson ROD was signed in 2002. At the Region's request our issuance of the 2002 Principles memo was delayed until after the ROD was signed; we should try to avoid comparisons to that ROD. Centredale Manor will soon have a proposed plan, the cleanup level for dioxin at that site will be based on low background concentrations.

This highlights the issue we have been trying to resolve with new Directive for the past year; very low risk-based protective levels or background vs. what is technically feasible at the site.

Steve

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 Date: 05/11/2011 11:11AM
 Cc: "ammon doug" <ammon.doug@epa.gov>, "dawson helen" <dawson.helen@epa.gov>, "ells steve" <ells.steve@epa.gov>
 Subject: Re: Fw: Materials in for Pre-Call Tomorrow with Lisa re: Port of Portland

Helen will be in the meeting also. Phone is Non-[REDACTED], code Non-[REDACTED]. Thanks for calling in!

From: Steve Ells
Sent: 05/11/2011 07:46 AM EDT
To: Elizabeth Southerland
Cc: ammon.doug@epa.gov; dawson.helen@epa.gov; ells.steve@epa.gov
Subject: Re: Fw: Materials in for Pre-Call Tomorrow with Lisa re: Port of Portland

I am in NYC leading the Seds training course, but can call in at 5, if this is OK,, please send #.

Steve

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 From: Elizabeth Southerland/DC/USEPA/US
 Date: 05/11/2011 07:29AM
 Subject: Fw: Materials in for Pre-Call Tomorrow with Lisa re: Port of Portland

Can you three go to the 5 PM premeeting today on this issue? I will not be able to attend and

will be on annual leave for Thursday and Friday.

Dan Opalski

----- Original Message -----

From: Dan Opalski

Sent: 05/10/2011 03:49 PM PDT

To: brooks.becky@epa.gov

Cc: Elizabeth Southerland; James Woolford; Jennifer Wilbur

Subject: Materials in for Pre-Call Tomorrow with Lisa re: Port of Portland

Becky -- I apologize, I meant to get this background info to you earlier today. I'd appreciate your assistance in putting it into the right hands. Thanks.

(See attached file: Port Mtg Lisa Feldt 5102111.doc)

Dan Opalski

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10

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